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1. The amendment filed on 18 April 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The amended claims are require further consideration due to the numerous changes in claims language. The Amendment was not entered for that reason. The Examiner suggests a petition to have the amendment entered or an RCE.



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